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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 152

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORTEGO

PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST: Urges and requests the office of facility planning and control and the office of state buildings to study the use of materials with low volatile organic content in public buildings

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the office of facility planning and control and the office of state
3	buildings to study the use of products which have been determined to have low
4	volatile organic compound (VOC) content in the maintenance, renovation, or
5	construction of public buildings and report the findings to the Legislature of
6	Louisiana no later than December 31, 2012.
7	WHEREAS, VOCs are emitted as gases from products such as paints, wood finishes,
8	floor coatings, sealers, shellacs, stains, carpeting, and adhesives; and
9	WHEREAS, VOCs may cause adverse health effects such as eye, nose, and throat
10	irritation, headaches, nausea, and damage to organs and the central nervous system; and
11	WHEREAS, products are available for use in the maintenance, renovation, or
12	construction of buildings which have been determined to have low VOC content.
13	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
14	urge and request the office of facility planning and control and the office of state buildings
15	to study the use of products which have been determined to have low VOC content in the
16	maintenance, renovation, or construction of public buildings and report the findings to the
17	Legislature of Louisiana no later than December 31, 2012.
18	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such study may also include input from
19	representatives from the following:
20	(1) Louisiana Chapter of the United States Green Building Council.

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- 1 (2) AARP.
- 2 (3) American Heart Association.
- 3 (4) Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.
- 4 (5) Manufacturers of paint, flooring, or other products used in the maintenance,
- 5 renovation, or construction of buildings, such as Sherwin Williams, Benjamin Moore, and
- 6 Armstrong.
- 7 (6) Carpet and Rug Institute.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 9 director of the office of facility planning and control and the director of the office of state
- 10 buildings.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the office of facility planning and control and the office of state buildings to study the use of products which have been determined to have low volatile organic compound content in the maintenance, renovation, or construction of public buildings and report the findings to the Legislature of La. no later than Dec. 31, 2012.